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In re application of:

Turpen *et al.*

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IN PLANTS AS VIRAL COAT
PROTEIN FUSIONS**

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended three months from November 3, 1998 to February 3, 1999 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17) is believed to be \$435.00 for a **three-month** extension for a **small entity**. Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge the \$435.00 fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) to Howrey & Simon's deposit account number 08-3038. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 3, 1999

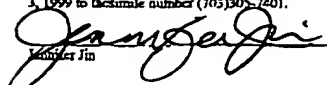

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